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Notice was duly published November 5, 2019 on Page 6 of The Daily Record that the regular public meeting of the Commissioners of the Nebraska Public Service Commission would be held on November 13, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commission Hearing Room, 300 The Atrium, 1200 N Street, Lincoln.

Chair Mary Ridder called the regularly scheduled meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier present. Chair Ridder stated that a copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act is posted in the meeting room and invited the public to address the Commission. No public comments were received. No announcements were made.

Attention was called to the following proceedings:

Wednesday, November 20, 2019:

911 Service System Advisory Committee Meeting

1:00 pm - Commission Hearing Room

Tuesday, December 3, 2019:

Commission Meeting

10:00 am - Commission Hearing Room, Lincoln

COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

NUSF-99, In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on P.O. #2 its own Motion, to administer the Universal Service Fund High-Cost Program. Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Dan Watermeier, to enter an Order seeking initial comments no later than December 13, 2019, and reply comments due no later than January 10, 2020. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

NUSF-99.48 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own Motion, to administer the Universal Service Fund High-Cost Program: Windstream Nebraska, Inc. Broadband Grant Request. Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to enter an Order denying application for the Guide Rock Exchange project. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

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COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT (Cont.)

- NUSF-99.62 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own Motion, to administer the Universal Service Fund High-Cost Program: Windstream Nebraska, Inc. Broadband Grant Request.
- NUSF-99.64 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own Motion, to administer the Universal Service Fund High-Cost Program: Windstream Nebraska, Inc. Broadband Grant Request.
- NUSF-99.68 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own Motion, to administer the Universal Service Fund High-Cost Program: Windstream Nebraska, Inc. Broadband Grant Request. Motion made by Commissioner Dan Watermeier, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to enter Orders granting applications, in part, for NUSF-99.62 (Panama Exchange RL01), NUSF-99.64 (Panama Exchange RL03, and NUSF-99.68 (Raymond Exchange RL06) projects. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE, and Commissioner Crystal Rhoades voting NAY.

STATE 911 DEPARTMENT

- 911-002 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, seeking to determine the surcharge for the Enhanced Wireless 911 Fund. Commissioner Schram presiding as Hearing Officer. Motion made by Commissioner Dan Watermeier, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram to enter an Order setting the surcharge for the calendar year 2020. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE, and Commissioner Crystal Rhoades voting NAY.
- 911-042.14 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, seeking to administer funding for public safety answering points for the implementation and provision of Enhanced Wireless 911 service: City of Holdrege. Motion made by Commissioner Rod Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram to enter an Order approving the use of set-aside funds. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.
- 911-042.62 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, seeking to administer funding for public safety answering points for the implementation and provision of Enhanced Wireless 911 service: Colfax County. Motion made by Commissioner Dan Watermeier, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson to enter an Order approving the use of set-aside funds. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

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STATE 911 DEPARTMENT (Cont.)

Dave Sankey informed the Commission that the next 911 Service System Advisory Committee meeting will be November 20, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. in the Commission Hearing Room, Lincoln.

TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

B-1962 In the Matter of Medivac Corp. d/b/a Metro Medical Transportation, Harlan, Iowa, seeking to acquire, through sale or transfer, the authority held by David F. Miller d/b/a Metro Medical Transportation, Inc., Omaha, in Application No. B-1456. Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Dan Watermeier, to enter an Order of pending dismissal. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

B-1976 In the Matter of the Application of The Beautiful Life Family Home Care d/b/a Beautiful Life Medical Transport, LLC, Omaha, seeking authority as a common carrier in Nebraska intrastate commerce in the transportation of passengers by van in open class service between points in Cass, Dodge, Douglas, Sarpy, and Washington counties, on the one hand, and, on the other hand, points in Nebraska over irregular routes. RESTRICTIONS: The transportation of railroad train crews and their baggage is not authorized. HHS Designation: Yes. Motion made by Commissioner Crystal Rhoades, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram, to enter an Order granting application. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

B-1984 In the Matter of the Application of Hope Park Transport, LLC, Lincoln, seeking authority as a contract carrier in Nebraska intrastate commerce in the transportation of clients by van in open class to and from medical appointments, behavioral health appointments and/or day center programs within Lancaster County pursuant to service contracts with Prescott Place, Integrated Behavioral Health Services, and Bel Air Homes. RESTRICTIONS: The transportation of railroad train crews and their baggage is not authorized. HHS Designation: Yes - limited to clients transported pursuant to contract. Motion made by Commissioner Dan Watermeier, seconded by Commissioner Crystal Rhoades, to enter an Order granting application. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

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GRAIN WAREHOUSE DEPARTMENT

GW-2122 In the Matter of Carroll Feed & Grain Co., Carroll, Nebraska, seeking cancellation of a warehouse receipt: Motion made by Commissioner Dan Watermeier, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson to cancel warehouse receipt B692572. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

GW-666 In the Matter of Crossroads Cooperative Association, Sidney, Nebraska: Mike Bartels reported that the grain warehouse license was cancelled as of November 1, 2019.

GW-2181 In the Matter of Bancroft Grain, LLC, Bancroft, Nebraska: Mike Bartels reported on shortage of corn.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Executive Director's recommendation to approve Commission invoices. Motion made by Commissioner Dan Watermeier, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE, and Commissioner Crystal Rhoades present not voting.

The following invoices were paid between 11-6-19 and 11-13-19 and need to be ratified:

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| David Sankey | \$ | 1,000.76 |
| Dan Watermeier | \$ | 276.08 |

Executive Director's recommendation to enter into an Independent Contractor Agreement with Ken Stadler, R.A. for the purposes of Manufactured Home and Modular Housing Unit Plan Review, effective November 30, 2019. Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Dan Watermeier. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE, and Commissioner Crystal Rhoades present not voting.

Executive Director's recommendation to approve Commissioner Crystal Rhoades to travel to the CTIA State Policy Maker Program, in Los Angeles, CA, from October 21 through October 24, 2019. Motion made by Commissioner Dan Watermeier, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE, and Commissioner Crystal Rhoades present not voting.

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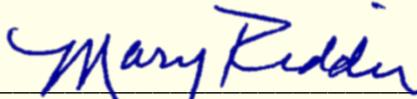
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GENERAL ADMINISTRATION (Cont.)

Executive Director's recommendation to authorize Cullen Robbins to travel to and attend the Siouxland Interstate Metropolitan Planning Council (SIMPCO) Tri-State Legislative Forum, in Sioux City Iowa, on December 6, 2019, with all expenses to be paid by the Commission. Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Dan Watermeier. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE, and Commissioner Crystal Rhoades present not voting.

The meeting adjourned at 10:17 a.m. with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier present. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on December 3, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. with an agenda to be available in the office of the Executive Director at 10:00 a.m. on December 2, 2019.



Chair



Executive Director